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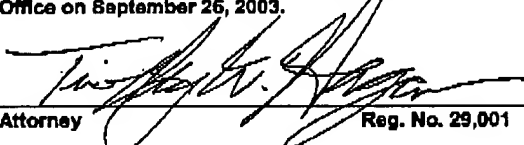
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**AMENDMENT**

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action (non-final) mailed August 22, 2003. Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks below. This paper is using the revised amendment practice pursuant to 37 CFR §1.121, effective July 30, 2003. The entire set of presently pending claims has been reproduced below in the approved revised amendment format. Any amendments to the specification and drawings have also been presented in the revised format, beginning on separate pages. No separate marked-up copy of the amended claims has been provided.